### **Remodeling Education**

Progress toward implementing statewide education initiatives (SB 724)

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## Overview

- Context: Why Remodel?
- Role of Race to the Top (RttT)
- READY Initiative
  - Standards & Assessments
  - Measuring Educator Effectiveness
  - Technology-Enhanced Instruction
  - Supporting Districts & Schools
- Committee Questions



## Why Remodel?

Our state's economic well-being depends on a workforce that is knowledgeable and able and can compete internationally.

Our students must achieve like never before.









The story of North Carolina Public Schools is one of both

+ Measurable Progress

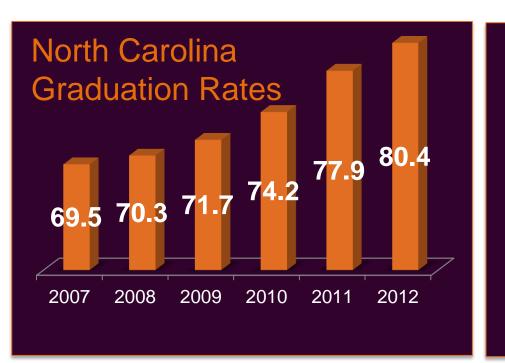
and

Δ Increasing Urgency to Improve



## Measurable Progress





## National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Mathematics

NC results continue to be above the national average in 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades.





## **Measurable Progress**







## **Urgency to Improve**



In 1950, 60% of jobs were classified as unskilled. Today, less than 20% of jobs are considered to be unskilled.

80% of North Carolina jobs require some postsecondary education or training.





## **Urgency to Improve**



Reading: 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> graders in 2011-12...

86.4%

of those students deemed not economically disadvantaged were proficient. 59.1%

of economically disadvantaged students were proficient.





## **Urgency to Improve**



We are reaching higher to ensure that all of our students are

READY...

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# READY & Race to the Top Measureable Goals

- Near 100% Graduation Rate
- Increased College Enrollment (2- & 4-year)
- Increased College Readiness (90% of graduates need no remediation)
- Among the top states in 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade math and reading (NAEP)



The central focus of **READY** is improving **every** student's learning ...

by enabling and ensuring great teaching.





#### PROJECT MAP



New Standard Course of Study

Balanced Assessment System

New Accountability
Model

Strong Leaders 6

**A Fair Evaluation System** 

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**Tools and Training to Improve Practice** 

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Improved Supply of Teachers 57

Support in Low-Achieving Districts and Schools

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English Language Arts
Mathematics

Science

Social Studies World Languages

Arts Education

Information and Technology

Healthful Living

Guidance

Occupational Course of Study

English Language Development

Career and Technical Education \_

Common Core

Essential/ Standards

### New Standard Course of Study

- Internationallybenchmarked
- When achieved, ensures students are ready for postsecondary education





#### **Benefits of Common Core**

- Equity
- College and Career Readiness
- Comparability
- Sharing of Resources
- Economies of Scale
- Student Mobility









# How are we supporting schools?





## 2011 Summer Institutes Introducing the New Standards

2012 Summer Institutes
Classroom strategies for teaching



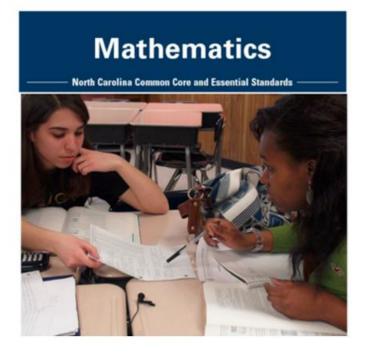
- Ongoing Online Learning for teachers and leaders
- Implementation Support (remote and face-to-face)
- Instructional Tools & Resources (on NCDPI website)







the mathematics education of North Carolina's students.



\* FOCUS \* COHERENCE \* RIGOR \*

4,469 View Our Stats

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#### Assessments





# What is a "Balanced Assessment System?"



#### Assessments



#### Changing what we think of as "State Assessments"

**Summative** 

This is what we've known



Constructed Response

Performance Tasks

Computer Adaptive Testing

**Interim Tools** 

"Along the Way"

Formative Processes and Diagnosis

"Every Day"

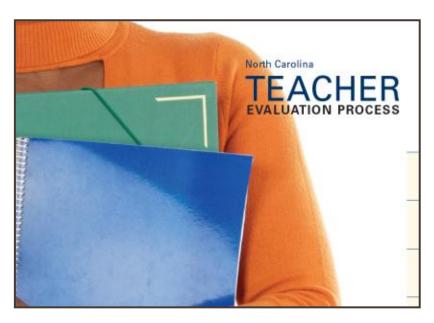
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#### **Teachers**



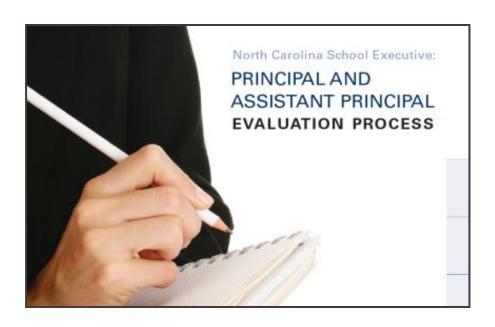
**Standards 1-6** 







#### **Principals**



#### Standards 1-8







# Enhanced Statewide Educator Evaluation System

- Provides feedback regarding practice and effects on student growth – all to fuel improvement
- Enables identification of best practices/master teachers and those educators needing support to grow (or perhaps go)
- Based on research uses multiple measures and data sampled over time (to protect against statistical error)
- Every standard is valued equally no weighting





#### New features:

- Annual Evaluation for all teachers
- Student Growth Measure
  - Uses Educator Value-Added Assessment
     System (EVAAS) for all core academic subjects,
     grades 4-12
  - All teachers will have some student growth measure
  - Educator must have 3 years of data before receiving an "effectiveness" determination

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## **Technology Tools**



#### Goal: Personalized Student Learning

**Empowered Teaching** 

- Universal access to quality instructional tools and resources
- **Parent Engagement**



HOME BASE ... enabled by the NC Ed Cloud

## **One Technology Platform**



Student Information System (SIS)

Tools for Information and Data

#### **Home Base**

- Single Sign-on
- Collaborative
- Populated with resources for NC educators

Instructional Improvement System (IIS)

Tools for Teaching and Learning

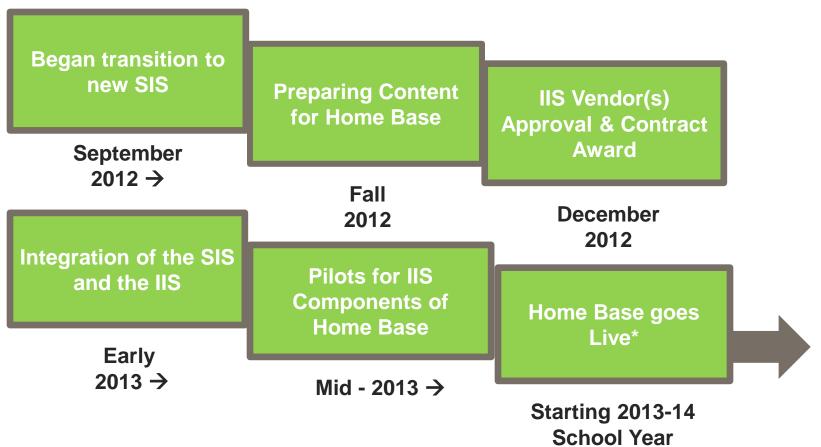






#### **Home Base: Timeline**





\*There will be a phased in roll out of the IIS components of Home Base.

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#### Support for Districts & Schools



#### District & School Transformation

- Boots on the Ground
   Experienced state staff work with low-achieving schools to help build local staff capacity/skills.
- Direct Coaching
   Leadership and instructional coaching.
- Comprehensive Needs Assessment State and local staff work as a team to determine areas of greatest need (feeds plan for highest-impact actions to take within a district to improve student achievement).



#### Support for Districts & Schools



#### Targeting:

- Lowest-achieving 5% of all traditional schools (by grade span)
- Any high school with graduation rate below 60%

High	Middle	Elementary
School	School	School
29	23	66



#### **Support for Districts & Schools**



## **Longitudinal Performance Composite Data for the 118 Schools Identified Under Race to the Top**

Percent Proficient	0-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90+
2011-12 (107 Schools)*	1	3	12	52	30	7	1	1
2010-11 (116 Schools)**	1	9	23	64	15	2	2	0
2009-10 (118 Schools)	2	6	49	54	2	4	1	0

<sup>\*</sup> Ten schools closed during the 2011-12 school year. They used school closure as their transformation strategy. West Charlotte did not test at least 95% of its students and does not have a reported Performance Composite for 2011-12.

<sup>\*\*</sup> E E Waddell and West Mecklenburg High did not test at least 95% of their respective students and do no have reported Performance Composite for 2010-11.

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## **Every Student READY**

